hundred. For contractors the seigniorage charged is Re. 1 per hundred. It is prayed that orders may be issued for the grant of small bamboos to the ryots of Chinikatte magani at the rate charged to contractors. It is further prayed that as half of Chinikatte magani in Honnali taluk is malnad, the concession given to malnad ryots may be extended to these ryots also.

(*b*) The ryots of Chinikatte and Nyamti maganis have been allowed fuel for jaggory boiling at two annas per cart-load. The ryots have to fetch fuel from the State Forest and store them from the month of September up to about the 20th October. The Forest Departmental authorities refuse to permit ryots to take fuel during that time. As the months of November and December are busy seasons for agriculturists, it is prayed that orders may be issued to the Forest Department to grant fuel during the months of September and October.

Reply of Government.—(*a*) Will be considered.

(*b*) Orders will issue to grant license between 1st September and 30th October.

CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

(*Nos. 253—257.*)

SUBJECT NO. 253.

Water-supply to Chitaldrug town.

Messrs. Lingappa and N. Bhima Rao, Chitaldrug municipality.

Summary of discussion—Chitaldrug town often suffers from water scarcity. There are no streams or rivulets near Chitaldrug. It is prayed that good and sufficient water may be supplied to the town.

Reply of Government.—The matter is engaging the attention of the Public Works Department. The Chief Engineer has promised to visit the town at an early date and settle the details.

SUBJECT NO. 254.

A muezzin and a sweeper to the Jumma Masjid at Chitaldrug.

Mr. Syed Budan Sab, Hiriyur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Jumma Masjid at Chitaldrug was built during the time of Tippu Sultan. It is under the management of the Muzrai Department. The want of a muezzin and a sweeper to the masjid causes great inconvenience to the Mahomedans in the offer of their daily prayers (Namaj) in the masjid. It is prayed that a muezzin on a pay of Rs. 7 and a sweeper on a pay of Rs. 6 per month be appointed to this masjid.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration, if funds permit.

SUBJECT NO. 255.

Affiliation of Chitaldrug high school to the Bombay University.

Mr. B. V. Narayana Rao, Hosdurga taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that the high school at Chitaldrug may be affiliated to the Bombay University.

Reply of Government.—Not feasible.